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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
HELD IN THE ROOMS OF THE SOCIETY, JANUARY
31, 1903, AT 7:30 P.M.

President PERRINE presided. A quorum was present. The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

The following new members were duly elected:—

LIST OF MEMBERS ELECTED JANUARY 31, 1903.

Mr. WM. GRANT 104 Sutter Street, S. F., Cal.
LIBRARY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF }
SOFIA } Sofia, Bulgaria, Europe.
Mr JOHN L. McNAB Ukiah, Cal.

A committee to nominate a list of eleven Directors and Committee on Publication, to be voted for at the annual meeting, to be held on March 28th, was appointed as follows: Messrs. WM. H. LOWDEN (Chairman), JOS. D. GRANT, GEO. C. EDWARDS, CHAS. NELSON, J. O'B. GUNN.

A committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer, and to report at the annual meeting in March, was appointed as follows: Messrs. CHAS. S. CUSHING (Chairman), JOS. A. DONOHUE, L. H. PIERSON.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

Resolved, That Mr. WM. M. PIERSON, on account of the exceptional aid, both professional and financial, which he has rendered this Society, is entitled to the gratitude of all its members and is deserving of such marks of esteem as this Board has the power to grant; and it is therefore further

Resolved, That Mr. PIERSON be, and he hereby is, elected a Life Member of this Society.

It was upon motion

Resolved, That the Reports of the U. S. Commissioner of Education contained in the Library be presented by this Society to the Library of the University of California.

AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS.

The following amendment to the By-Laws was duly adopted by the consenting votes of nine Directors, namely, Messrs C. D. PERRINE, A. O. LEUSCHNER, S. D. TOWNLEY, WM. M. PIERSON, CHAS. S. CUSHING, E. J. MOLERA, A. H. BABCOCK, F. R. ZIEL, Miss R. O'HALLORAN:—

ARTICLE VIII.

Each active member shall pay as annual dues, the sum of five dollars, due on the first day of January of each year, in advance. When a new member is elected during the first quarter of any year, he shall pay full dues for such year; when elected during the second quarter, he shall pay three fourths only of such dues; when elected during the third quarter, he shall pay one half only of such dues; when elected during the last quarter, he shall pay one fourth only of such dues; provided, however, that one half only of the dues in this article provided for shall be collected from any member who is actually enrolled as a student at a university, seminary, high school, or other similar institution of learning, during such

time as he is so enrolled. No one shall be deemed an active member, or receive a diploma, until he has signed the register of members, or accepted his election to membership in writing, and paid his dues for the current year. Any member may be released from annual dues by the payment of fifty dollars at one time, and placed on the roll of life members by the vote of the Board of Directors. Any failure on the part of a member to pay his dues within six months after the time the same shall have become payable, may, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, be considered equivalent to a resignation.

Adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY
OF THE PACIFIC, HELD IN THE LECTURE HALL OF
THE CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES,
JANUARY 31, 1903, AT 8 P.M.

President PERRINE presided. The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

The following papers were presented:—

The Total Light of the Stars, by Dr. S. D. TOWNLEY.

Planetary Phenomena for March and April, 1903, by Prof. M. MCNEILL.

The Secretary read the names of new members elected.

Mr. BURCKHALTER, in behalf of the Comet Medal Committee, presented the Donohoe Comet-Medal to Prof. PERRINE for his discovery of Comet *b* 1902.

The President then introduced the lecturer of the evening Dr. S. D. TOWNLEY, who gave an account of his recent investigations in reference to the total light of the stars. An abstract of his paper is contained in this number of the *Publications*.

The meeting then adjourned.